

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	Benin
Program Title:	Benin Integrated Family Health
Pillar:	Global Health
Strategic Objective:	680-002
Status:	Continuing
Planned FY 2005 Obligation:	\$7,750,000 CSH
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$0
Proposed FY 2006 Obligation:	\$7,250,000 CSH
Year of Initial Obligation:	1997
Estimated Year of Final Obligation:	2006

Summary: The objective of USAID's integrated family health program is to increase the use of family health services within a supportive policy environment. National interventions focus on improving health policies. Regional activities focus on implementing nationally adopted programs and policies, such as family health standards of care, integrated management of childhood illnesses (IMCI), and emergency obstetrical and neonatal care. USAID also works with the Ministry of Health to effectively implement the Government of Benin's decentralization policy for the health sector.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2005 Program: Reduce Transmission and Impact of HIV/AIDS (\$1,550,000 CSH). As part of the abstinence, be faithful, and condom promotion (ABC) approach, USAID will support the National HIV/AIDS Control Unit within the Ministry of Health which works to reduce the spread of HIV/AIDS and organizes awareness campaigns about HIV/AIDS prevention. The Unit is also responsible for improving epidemiological surveillance to monitor the progression of HIV/AIDS and for training health workers in the prevention and treatment of sexually transmitted infections. USAID will provide funding for the national condom social marketing program. USAID will train health workers to design and disseminate prevention messages for groups most at risk of becoming infected. Principal contractors and grantees: Africare, Population Services International (PSI), University Research Corporation (URC), and Abt Associates (primes); and others to be determined.

Prevent and Control Infectious Diseases of Major Importance: (\$1,500,000 CSH). USAID will continue to work with the Ministry of Health to implement its nationwide malaria control strategy. USAID will also partner with the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) to promote the use of insecticide treated bednets (ITNs) in the Donga-Atacora region of northwestern Benin. Principal contractors and grantees: URC, Africare, UNICEF, and PSI (primes); and others to be determined.

Build Health Systems Capacity (\$1,400,000 CSH). USAID will fund training for health workers to: appropriately manage childhood illnesses; care for obstetric emergencies and newborns; apply family health standards of care; and prevent and treat sexually transmitted infections, especially among groups most at risk of infection. Additional training will teach staff the principles of a planning process designed to ensure that community needs and priorities are taken into account in regional and national planning. USAID will also assist the Ministry of Health to expand a recently piloted approach for preventing post-partum hemorrhage. Principal contractors and grantees: Africare, URC, and EngenderHealth (primes).

Improve Child Survival, Health and Nutrition (\$1,360,000 CSH). USAID will fund communication activities to promote the prevention and treatment of childhood illnesses through immunization, breastfeeding, and the social marketing of oral re-hydration salts and mosquito nets. USAID will also continue to fund a community-based health insurance program. Principal contractors and grantees: PSI, URC, Africare, Abt Associates (primes); and others to be determined.

Improve Maternal Health and Nutrition (\$340,000 CSH). Improving maternal health is an integral part of the major USAID activity in the Borgou-Alibori region. The geographic scope of this activity will be expanded. USAID will also provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Health to expand a recently

piloted approach for preventing post-partum hemorrhage to other regions in Benin. Principal contractors and grantees: PSI, URC, Africare, Abt Associates (primes); and others to be determined.

Reduce Unintended Pregnancy and Improve Healthy Reproductive Behavior (\$1,600,000 CSH). Activities to achieve this objective are an integral part of the USAID family health program to promote maternal and child health in the Borgou-Alibori region. USAID will continue to train health workers in standards of care and will also fund awareness campaigns to promote contraceptive use nationwide. Principal contractors and grantees: Engender Health, PSI, URC, and Abt Associates (primes); IntraHealth (sub); and others to be determined.

FY 2006 Program: Reduce Transmission and Impact of HIV/AIDS (\$1,724,000 CSH). USAID will continue to support national social marketing campaigns to promote prevention messages, including the use of condoms by at-risk groups. USAID will provide assistance to the National HIV/AIDS Control Unit to enable it to conduct a Behavioral Surveillance Survey to obtain information about the practice of behaviors that prevent HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted infections. Principal contractors and grantees: to be determined.

Prevent and Control Infectious Diseases of Major Importance (\$1,724,000 CSH). USAID will continue to work with the Ministry of Health to implement a nationwide malaria control strategy. USAID will also work with UNICEF to promote the use of ITNs. Principal contractors and grantees: to be determined.

Build Health Systems Capacity (\$1,474,600 CSH). In order to improve maternal and child health, USAID plans to continue support for the training of health workers in family health standards of care. Assistance to the Ministry of Health for training health workers in HIV/AIDS prevention will also continue. Principal contractors and grantees: to be determined.

Improve Child Survival, Health and Nutrition (\$646,500 CSH). Social marketing activities to promote child health, such as the use of oral re-hydration salts and mosquito nets, will continue. USAID will continue to support the expansion of a community-based health insurance program. Principal contractors and grantees: to be determined.

Improve Maternal Health and Nutrition (\$646,500 CSH). USAID assistance will continue to enable the Ministry of Health to geographically expand interventions, including the encouragement of safe pregnancy and delivery and the use of mosquito nets during pregnancy. Principal contractors and grantees: to be determined.

Reduce Unintended Pregnancy and Improve Healthy Reproductive Behavior (\$1,034,400 CSH). USAID will continue assistance to encourage use of more effective, modern contraceptives and other healthy reproductive behaviors as part of an integrated package of family health services. Principal contractors and grantees: to be determined.

All family planning assistance agreements will incorporate clauses that implement the President's directive restoring the Mexico City policy.

Performance and Results: In FY 2004 targets for the sale of condoms and oral and injectable contraceptives were exceeded. Sales for insecticide treated bednets and re-treatment kits in the social marketing program fell short of targets due to competition from government subsidized bednets sold at lower prices. Targets will be revised. New sales campaigns were launched in late 2004 and sales are expected to grow again in 2005. Expected principal outcomes by program completion are: 1) targets for use of contraceptive methods will be met in the Borgou-Alibori; 2) targets for maternal and child health will be met - treatment of diarrhea, malaria, exclusive breastfeeding - in the Borgou Alibori; and 3) targets for the use of safer sexual practices within target groups will be met (includes reported use of condoms with occasional partners).

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Benin

	CSH	DA
680-002 Benin Integrated Family Health		
Through September 30, 2003		
Obligations	27,014	4,818
Expenditures	19,045	4,565
Unliquidated	7,969	253
Fiscal Year 2004		
Obligations	7,550	0
Expenditures	5,600	78
Through September 30, 2004		
Obligations	34,564	4,818
Expenditures	24,645	4,643
Unliquidated	9,919	175
Prior Year Unobligated Funds		
Obligations	0	0
Planned Fiscal Year 2005 NOA		
Obligations	7,750	0
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2005		
Obligations	7,750	0
Proposed Fiscal Year 2006 NOA		
Obligations	7,250	0
Future Obligations	0	0
Est. Total Cost	49,564	4,818